

**Bill History**  
**Session Year 2009**  
**Substitute for Raised H.B. No. 6670**

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**Introducer(s):**

Judiciary Committee

**Title:** AN ACT CONCERNING THE RIGHTS OF CRIME VICTIMS AND THE DUTIES OF THE OFFICE OF THE VICTIM ADVOCATE.

**Statement of Purpose:** To adopt proposals of the Office of the Victim Advocate providing compensation for burial expenses of homicide victims, creating a privacy exception to the Freedom of Information Act, establishing an account to fund victim service advocates, expediting criminal cases involving minors as victims or witnesses and including the Victim Advocate as a member of the Criminal Justice Policy Advisory Commission.

**Bill History:**

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**Co-sponsor(s):**

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